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Dear Sir,

I have followed the developments of the Microsoft settlement for the past couple of years, and I am still amazed that this corporation has been dragged through so much persecution.

I am a middle school teacher in Denver, Colorado and not a computer whiz, but I feel that Microsoft has done nothing but help me. Three years ago when I purchased my first computer, I purchased a Hewlett Packard that came with the Microsoft operating system and browser. If I had had to buy all these things separately I wouldn't have know what to buy and, too, it probably would have cost me more. I was very grateful that Mr. Gates had had the foresight to guide me in this process. Since that time I have become quite proficient with the computer. I'm on the Internet now(AOL), and I'm accomplishing great things. Not only am I buying and selling stocks on line just last week a light switch went out in my kitchen and I logged on to "Ask Jeeves" and found out how to replace it myself.

If you restrict Microsoft's ability to create and innovate then you restrict the genius of mankind. They have done good things for the consumer and good things for our country. If the Department of Justice had spent the time and money pursuing terrorism and Bin Laden, the tragedy in New York could have been adverted. Instead you have been pursuing Bill Gates who has contributes a lot money to better the world and help people.

The majority of people unhappy about Microsoft are his competitors. They are distraught because they could not do what Microsoft has already done.

A Colorado Consumer,

Judy J. Simmons